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Docket No. AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER 1560-0348P Application No. Filing Date Examiner Art Unit 09/655,847-Conf. #9788 September 6, 2000 W. C. Joyce 3682 Applicant(s): Yasuhiro ISHII et al. Invention: ELECTRIC POWER STEERING APPARATUS **MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents** P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below. **CLAIMS AS AMENDED** Claims Highest Remaining Number Number After Previously **Extra Claims** Amendment Paid Present Rate **Total Claims** 12 20 Х Independent 3 3 = Х Claims Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) Other fee (please specify): Extension for response within first month 120.00 TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT: 120.00 x Large Entity **Small Entity** No additional fee is required for this amendment. Please charge Deposit Account No. in the amount of \$ A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. x A check in the amount of \$ 120.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed. Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached. 02-2448 X The Director is hereby authorized to charge and credit Deposit Account No. as described below. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. Crédit/any overpeyment. and ditional filing or application processing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17. Charge Dated: September 19, 2005 Attorney Reg. No.: 29,680 BIRCH, STEWART, KOLASCH & BIRCH, LLP 8110 Gatehouse Rd Suite 100 East P.O. Box 747 Falls Church, Virginia 22040-0747 (703) 205-8000

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated May 17, 2005, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.